

Current

Ongoing

- Texas Association of City & County Health Officials. Letter sent to John Hellerstedt, MD, Commissioner Texas Department of State Health Services, asking consideration of the following regarding federal funding to Texas for Zika:
 - Adequate funding is needed at both the state and local level for vector-borne disease prevention and control.
 - Use established prevalence and population density to predict presence of vector-borne disease transmission.
 - Increase funding for laboratory testing of vector-borne diseases.
 - Review and update the Department of State Health Services State Response Plan.
 - Ensure funds are sent to local health departments for local vector control and response.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

- Distribution of Zika kits to uninsured population including pregnant women across El Paso County.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

- Zika information and referral calls from health care providers and constituents. Travelers referred for evaluation and testing.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology Program

- Department of Public Health and Texas Department of State Health Services website resources updates. www.EPHealth.com TexasZika.org

Public Health Department/ Public Affairs Officer

- City's Vector Control Program and University of Texas at El Paso Mosquito Ecology and Surveillance Laboratory (UTEP-MESL) follow-up. Mosquito pools are being submitted to corresponding laboratories.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/ City's Vector Control Program

- City of El Paso Department of Public Health Zika Virus Campaign Activities Report February-July 2016

Department of Public Health Zika report to be uploaded to the Zika web link.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/ Public Affairs Officer

- Zika information updated on website. www.EPHealth.com

Public Health Department/ Public Affairs Officer

- Department of Public Health Zika Virus Response Plan Update. In order to standardize actions and activities, continued update of the Department of Public Health Zika Virus Response Plan with recently received Center for Disease Control and Prevention Plan, Texas Department of State Health Services Plan and City's Vector Control Plan.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

- Zika brochures distribution to local hospitals (English-Spanish)
Public Health Department/ Epidemiology
- Texas Association of City & County Health Officials (TACCHO) Menu of Choices for Zika response Department of Public Health review and comments.
Public Health Department/ Epidemiology
- Zika electronic billboards for Clear Channel, poster and flyers for the Airport.
Public Health Department/ Public Affairs Officer
- Posters for Sun Metro Bus Shelters and inside the buses.
Public Health Department/ Public Affairs Officer
- El Paso Department of Health Zika Virus Webpage continues to be updated regularly. Materials and web links include Texas Department of State Health Services, Zika flyer (bilingual), Zika and pregnancy, travel, prevention, transmission, resources and publications for parents, teachers, and other stakeholders among others.
www.EPHealth.com
Public Health Department/ Public Affairs Officer
- Epidemiology bi-weekly meeting. Zika stakeholders meeting, comments and feedback.
Texas Department of State Health Services/ Epidemiology/TB-HIV-STD Clinics/ Fort Bliss/ Food Inspection
- **(Weekly)** Texas Association of City and County Health Officials, weekly Zika conference calls.
Public Health Department/ Director

By Date (upcoming and past)

AUGUST 2018

August 1 - 9, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

- Visited 14 OBGYN doctors to remind them to continue screening pregnant women
- CMS staff Continue WIC Intervention at clinics to screen and educate pregnant women on Zika and provide referrals for Family Planning; will begin testing pregnant women at risk with no health insurance at LHD
- Review of NEDSS Zika report daily
- Followed up on a presumable Zika positive test; completed case investigation; CDC testing completed: Result was Zika negative; pt was informed
- Continue to call and visit providers
- Going to schedule training with Natalie and Meghan to CMS staff on registry and medical records abstraction

- Participated in CASPER pilot; questions on Zika knowledge and other mosquito borne viruses were included in questionnaire
- Participated in health fair at Mexican Consulate
- Participated in Big Latch On event. Provided Zika education and family planning information; passed out Zika prevention kits to pregnant women and women of reproductive age

Ms. Flor Puentes, CDC Zika Field Support Consultant. Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiology, Department of Public Health and Zika Technical Monitor

JULY 2018

July 16 - 20, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

- Request for a Zika presentation by the Community Health Workers Training Program at the University of Texas at El Paso, date to be selected.
- Vacation period for CDC Zika Field Support Consultant.

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July 9 - 13, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

- Visited eight OB/GYN doctors to recommend continuing Zika screening on pregnant women.
- Review and follow up on Zika test results referred by the Epidemiology Program, National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS).
- Participated in health fair at the Mexican Consulate office on July 10th.
- Started WIC Intervention at clinics to screen and educate pregnant women on Zika and provide referrals for Family Planning.
- Collaboration with the University Medical Center Women's Health clinic to collaborate on Family Planning efforts.

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July 2 - 6, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

- Zika Presentation, Mexican Consulate Health Fair, July 3rd.
- Zika 2017-2018 closeout planning meetings to complete and present deliverable to Technical Monitor by August

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JUNE 2018

June 25-29, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

- Completed the Zika Education and presentations activities, Medical Mission Collaborative, Texas A&M Promotoras, Escontrias Early Childhood Center, June 18-28.
- Attended the Zika Action Day Proclamation, El Paso City Hall, June 26.
- Participated in the meeting "Partnerships for the Prevention and Control of Vector-Borne Disease in Tribal Communities, New Mexico" Albuquerque, New Mexico, June 28-29.

Case Study: Local & Tribal Approaches to Zika Prevention and Control.

Martin Lopez: Health and Human Services, Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo; Flor Puentes, MPH: Zika Field Support, City of El Paso, Department of Public Health.

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June 18-22, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

- Zika Education booth and presentations at the Medical Mission Collaborative, Texas A&M Promotoras, being held at the Escontrias Early Childhood Center from June 18-28.
- Zika Action Day Proclamation, City Hall, June 26th.

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June 11-15, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

- Medical Mission Collaborative Texas A&M Promotoras, to be held at the Escontrias Early Childhood Center June 18-28; Completed schedule dates for presentations; Ordered

educational material for event; Zika Action Day (June 27); Proclamation For Zika Action Day; Meeting at City Hall on June 26th.

- Zika WIC intervention:
 - Zika Case Worker & Community Health Worker became certified phlebotomists.
 - Planned visits to 4 WIC clinics starting in July for laboratory testing and education activities.
- Zika Presentation at UMC neighborhood clinics on June 4-5, nine healthcare providers attended.
- Reviewing and following up on Zika test results; following up on suspects; Contacted physicians to provide laboratory guidelines and to provide educational material; Attended Epidemiology meeting at Department of Public Health and provided Zika updates.
- Zika presentation during the Tribal Vector Borne Disease Prevention and Control Workshop, Albuquerque, NM on June 28-29, 2018.
- Zika presentation at the Mexican Consulate office on June 19, 2018.

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June 4-8, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

- Close out session for the Zika Field Support. Transition Plan conference call took place on June 6th.
- Detailed information was discussed on Zika related activities since April 2017.
- Meetings (local and binational) attendance and results; List of contacts for outreach, lists will be delivered to the Lead Epidemiologist; OB
- GYN, Pediatricians, Family Medicine, Grand Rounds: Texas Tech Health Science University, Hospital and clinic in-service for nurses and providers, Federal Qualified Health Centers, Beaumont Army Medical Center, VA hospital, UMC Clinics and Hospital, Children's Hospital Events; Planning and After Action Reports: Zika Action Day, AYUDA (Promotora event); 2018 Medical Mission Collaborative (June 18-28); Health Fairs and Community Outreach (list of contacts); Documents and Protocols; Zika Response Plan; Table Top Exercise; Zika Surveillance and Response Plan Addendum
- July 2017; Laboratory Orders and Standing Delegation Orders; Social Media and Updating webpage, Post events on social media for promoting events (Facebook and Twitter).

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MAY 2018

May 28 - June 1, 2018

- Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.
- Mosquito Awareness Week June 25th-29th.
- Coordinating the 2018 Medical Mission collaborative with Promotoras at Escontrias Early Childhood Center, June 18th-28th.
 - Completed scheduled dates for presentations; Zika Action Day, June 27th.
- Proclamation For Zika Action Day, City Hall, June 26th.
 - Zika WIC Intervention:
 - Case Worker & Community Health Worker receiving training to become phlebotomists.
 - Daily visits to WIC clinics starting in June to promote Zika testing and provide education.
- Zika presentation at UMC neighborhood clinics May 29-30 and June 4-5.
 - Scheduled In-Service with OBGYN, Veteran Affairs.
 - Participated on the Zika ECHO webinar.
 - Participated in CDC/Local Health Departments Initiative Town Hall conference.
 - Completing CDC Phase II assignment and working on storybook for Local Health Department.
 - Reviewing and following up on Zika laboratory test results.

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May 21-25, 2018

- Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.
- Follow-up on the following incoming activities:
 - Mosquito Awareness Week June 25th-29th.
 - Medical Mission Collaborative with Promotoras to be held at the Escontrias Early Childhood Center on June 18-28.
 - Proclamation for Zika Action Day at City Hall on June 26th.
 - Zika WIC Program intervention Trial Run on May 17.
 - Actual WIC intervention to start June 11th.
 - Scheduled In
- Service with University Medical Center (UMC) neighborhood clinics for May 29-30 and June 4-5 2018

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May 14-18, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities Included:

- Mosquito Awareness Week June 25th-29th.
- Participation in the Medical Mission Collaborative with Promotoras to be held at the Escontrias Early Childhood Center on June 18-28; Completed scheduled dates for presentations; Proclamation for Zika Action Day at City Hall on June 26th.
- Zika WIC Program intervention Trial Run on May 17.
- Following DSHS testing guidelines:
 - How many pregnant women would be interested in getting tested for Zika and receiving educational material?
- Visited 3 WIC Program clinics and distributed Zika Educational material to pregnant woman.
- Actual WIC intervention to start June 11th.
- Continue Planning to re-visit OBGYN's and prepare for this Year's mosquito season; A customer satisfaction survey will be administered.
- Scheduled In
- Service with UMC neighborhood clinics for May 29-30 and June 4-5, 2018 .
- Participated in Veterans Affairs first Baby Shower Event on 5/11/18 in celebration and support of Veterans who will be welcoming a new child into their families. Numerous topics in relation to maternity were presented.
- Will be scheduling In-Service with OBGYN Department in Veteran Affairs.
- Receiving NEDS reports from the Epidemiology Program of Zika Test results reviewing and filing.
- Participated on AAP Zika ECHO webinar.
- Attended CDC Spring Close Down Summit May 6-9.

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May 7-11, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities Included:

- Attended the Zika Symposium in Houston, TX on May 4. Presentations from OBGYN's & Pediatricians, Vector Control, vaccine updates and presentations from researchers.
- CDC Summit (Stand down plan for close out) May 6th-9th. Presentation of CMS/Title V grant per site: Discuss trainings and duties for grant, Items for close out binder that will include transition plan (list of contacts, meetings, policies & protocols, latest guidelines, documents/brochures). Presentations included: Clinical guidelines orientation, US Zika Registry (Pregnancy & Infant Registry), GIS Tool, Infant follow up training.

- El Paso Veteran Affairs 1st Baby Shower, the event was targeted towards pregnant women or women who had just had their baby; Distributed educational material, fly swatters (Fight the Bite campaign), Zika prevention kits. Fifty participants attended.

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APRIL 2018

April 30 - May 4, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities included:

- Zika Symposium, Houston, TX; May 3-4, 2018.
- CDC Zika Spring Closeout Summit; May 7-11, 2018
- WIC/Zika Program Intervention. The laboratory testing forms for pregnant women at the Department of Public Health-WIC Clinics were approved by the State. A WIC trail run at the clinics is scheduled for May 17th.
- OBGYN's visits will continue in preparation for the incoming mosquito season.

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April 23-27, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities included:

- Participated in the Regional Epidemiology meeting, provided Zika outreach updates.
- A fax blast will be sent to El Paso healthcare providers on the new Texas Department of State Health Services Zika Testing Eligibility Criteria.
- Attended the Border Epidemiology Surveillance Team (BEST) meeting with representatives from Texas, New Mexico and Chihuahua. The new Zika testing criteria was presented to the group.
- Attended the Texas Border Infectious Disease (BIDS) Operation Cascarones meeting. Objectives for the meeting were:
 - Create a binational case definition for infectious diseases of interest to the Paso Del Norte Region.
 - Formalize communication pathways between all stakeholders.
 - Delineate internal and external public communication strategies to mitigate the spread of false information.
 - Exercise the protocol upon completion of the development phase.
- Attended the Zika Dashboard Training; Zika Geospatial Analysis Dashboard.

- Working and coordinating Zika activities/events for next months:
 - Zika activities with Promotoras (June)
 - Zika Action Day (June 27)
- Planning and coordinating for Zika testing WIC intervention.
- Scheduling Re-visits to OBGYN's and prepare for the mosquito season

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April 16-20, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities included:

- Zika presentation at Texas Tech Pediatrics Grand Rounds. Physicians and Medical Students in attendance (80).
- Co-Organized the AYUDA-Promotoras Zika Event on April 17th in San Elizario, TX. Zika and Vector Control presentations were provided in Spanish. Medicaid Waiver Program distributed vouchers to receive free services such as mammograms, pap smears and colonoscopies. Flu vaccines were provided on site, food bags and Zika prevention kits were distributed.
- Attended Binational Health Council Meeting for co-presidents election.

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April 2-13, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities included:

- Participated in AAP Zika ECHO call.
- Zika presentation to Environmental Services Department. Around 50 in attendance. (Code Compliance and Vector Control).
- Completed a Zika presentation for William Beaumont Army Medical Center/Pediatrics Department, April 12th.
- Continued coordination with Project AYUDA for the Zika Event with Promotoras on April 17th; created a flyer, Zika presentation, Vector Control Program will provide a presentation, Medicaid Waiver Program will provide flu vaccines and Zika presentation kits will be distributed.
- Provider Outreach: visited 3 Family Medicine providers.
- Met with Department of Health Zika case worker and reviewed job duties and projects currently in progress.

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MARCH 2018

March 26-30 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities this week included:

- Completing Health Department laboratory Zika protocols and Standing Delegation Orders.
- Texas Tech Pediatricians scheduled grand rounds Zika presentation for April 18th.
- Participated in AAP Zika Echo Zoom Call.
- Coordinating community Zika event with Promotoras from Project AYUDA for April 17th.
- Zika presentation for William Beaumont Army Medical Center for April 19th.
- Participated in the Texas Zika Geospatial Risk Analyses Demonstration.

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March 19-23, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities this week included:

- Visits to healthcare providers to increase Zika awareness and distribute educational materials on diagnostic guidelines and follow-up.
- Coordinating a grant with Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to create a referral plan for affected families with Zika through community resources available.
- Border Epidemiology Surveillance Team meeting scheduled for April 24, 2018.
- Follow up and investigation on Zika suspect cases.
- Participated in CDC-Zika conference calls.

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March 12-16, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities this week included:

- Contacted Olivia Figueroa, Director of the AYUDA Project (Promotoras group) to schedule a Zika event for the community on April 17, 2018.

- Providence Hospital Transmountain OBGYN Department presentation on March 21, 2018.
- Presentation for El Paso Environmental Services, April 5, 2018.

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March 5-9, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities this week included:

- Continued phone calls and sending emails for healthcare providers outreach activities.
- Collected State of Texas related documents for WIC-Zika Intervention, planning start date April 9th.
- Collaborating with the Department of Public Health Laboratory to test pregnant women from WIC clinics and from OBGYN providers, probable start date in April 2018. Assisted Department of Public Health Laboratory finalizing protocols for Zika testing.
- Present at "Mom's the Word" through ESC19 Head Start - Birth to Four Program; Over 160 pregnant teens and fathers attended the event.
- Participated in Zika Tabletop exercise with participants from Texas Department of State Health Services, Vector Control, Poison Control Center, and 211, Emergency Response, Texas Department of State Health Services Zoonosis and Epidemiology.

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FEBRUARY 2018

February 26 - March 2, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities this week included:

- Scheduled a Zika in-service for April 12th, in coordination with William Beaumont Army Medical Center-Chief of the Pediatrics.
- Continued communication for healthcare providers outreach.
- Consulted Texas Department of State Health Services-Women, Infants, and Children (DSHS-WIC) procedures and submitted a Zika intervention approval request, planned state date April 9th.
- Assisted the Health Department finalizing protocols for Zika testing.
- Finalized the Zika presentation for "Mom's the Word" conference on March 2nd, through ESC19 Head Start Birth to Four Program

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February 19-23, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities. Activities this week included:

- Presented Zika Plan at William Beaumont Army Medical Center, 41 OBGYN doctors and nurses
- Continued calls/emails for healthcare providers outreach
- Work plan for a CPRIT grant to include a component on Family Planning
- Attended the Clinical Correlation Extended Zika testing planning meeting
- Participated in the planning meeting of "Mom's the Word" through ESC19 Head Start
- Birth to Four Program. The primary focus of the conference will be to educate teen moms and dads on working to improve their lives as new parents through education and personal enrichment.
- Attended the South Texas Tropical Medicine & Vector Borne Disease Conference at South Padre Island. The purpose of the conference was to promote awareness of vector borne diseases and the interdisciplinary approach involved in controlling and preventing vector borne diseases.

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February 14-16, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities. Activities this week included:

- Attended the 3rd Annual: South Texas Tropical Medicine & Vector Borne Disease Conference, South Padre Island, TX.

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February 5-9, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities this week included:

- Presentation to 51 Nursing Students at TTUHSC via Webinar and 14 MPH students onsite.
- Visited 6 Family Medicine Providers.
- Attended the Binational Juapasana MCH Committee Meeting: planned an event to include several modules on teen pregnancy, breastfeeding, violence, family planning, drug abuse, and Zika education; Train the Trainer directed to Promotoras will be provided by Juarez, Mexico physicians.
- Continue calls to providers to schedule Zika outreach.

- Setting up several In-Services with hospitals and clinics.

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JANUARY 2018

January 29 - February 2, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities for this week included:

- Presented a Zika scenario and discussion during the Epidemiology Program Texas Tech Medical Students Conference (100)
- Participated in the Regional Epidemiology Meeting; Provided Zika Outreach updates to group
- MCCI New primary care clinic grand opening, an In-Service will be planned
- Set up two outreach visits for next week
- Arranging In-Service with UMC with possible CME credits for April 13th.
- Participated in Local Health Department Open House: stakeholders, providers, students, and other health agencies attended; Organized a Zika stand and handed out Zika prevention kits, February 1st.
- Finalized In-Service with Beaumont Army Medical Center.
- Collaborating with Texas Tech OB-GYN Department for possible CPRIT grant for women's health services and family planning.
- Participated in Texas USZPR and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Town Hall conferences.

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January 25, 2018

Zika Field Consultant Activities:

- Participated on Texas Department of State Health Services-Zoonosis conference call.
- Finalized planning/organization meeting with Dr. Rosenthal for Texas Tech Medical Student class presentation on Zika for January 29, 2018.
- Presented at the Border Epidemiology Surveillance Team (BEST) meeting.

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January 22-23, 2018

Attending the Obstetrical and Neonatal Care Coordination related to Infectious Diseases in Pregnancy in Austin, Texas.

The event provides a forum for key local, state and national stakeholders and experts to discuss the successes and needs for better coordination of care for pregnant women and babies in response to established and emerging infectious disease by using the recent Zika response as an example.

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January 15-19, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

Activities this week included:

- Provider Outreach: 4 Family Medicine Providers
- Planning/organization meeting with Texas Tech Medical School for Student class presentation on Zika on January 29, 2018.
- Presentation for the Border Epidemiology Surveillance Team on January 25, 2018.

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January 10, 2018

Zika Preparedness Planning Meeting.

Welcome - Angela Mora

Department of State Health Services Eligibility Criteria Follow-Up-Table Top Exercise (TTX) Case Scenario & Objectives

TTX Key Players - All Guidelines

- a. Lab testing brief purpose, process, chronology
- b. Lab reporting steps, responsibility
- c. Lab Chain of Custody
- d. Couriers pick-up/delivery steps

City of El Paso Department of Public Health Management, Lead Epidemiologist, Public Health Preparedness, Zika Field Support Consultant, Zika Coordinator, Laboratory, and Public Affairs Officer

January 8-12, 2018

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities.

- Zika Response Planning Meeting:
- Review of Home Visits Flow Chart
- Reached out to 6 Pediatricians
- Began making contact with Family Practice Doctors

- Made contact with UMC-Neighborhood Clinics, Date pending
- Emailed Beaumont Medical Center for In-Service confirmation date
- Made 20 calls to providers
- Continued to work on Zika Emergency Response Planning; Reviewed and finalized Household Visit Flow Chart: Reviewed details of house visit; finalized all forms; finalized laboratory process; and Table Top Exercise Zika Case Scenario and Objectives

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DECEMBER 2017

December 11-15, 2017

Zika Field Support consultant Activities.

- Public Health Preparedness meeting, charting and labeling personal chart.
- Program Representative Meeting, reported activities for the month of November 2017:
 1. Ongoing scheduling visits with providers and hospitals. Two hundred visits from June to November.
 2. Number of Zika Laboratory Testing 2017. Eight three Laboratory tests from April to November 2017.

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December 7, 2017

Texas Department of State Health Services.

The announcement of three recent Zika cases in Hidalgo County, including one that appears to have been transmitted locally by mosquitoes, demonstrates that Zika remains a threat in the Rio Grande Valley. Local health officials announced the cases and urged residents to remain vigilant for Zika.

Texas Department of State Health, Zoonosis Control Branch

<http://dshs.texas.gov/news/updates.shtm#Zika>

December 5, 2017

Zika Collaborative meeting with New Mexico Department of Health, Las Cruces, New Mexico

The purpose of the meeting:

- Discuss Zika collaboration and coordination
- Epidemiology surveillance
- Referral mechanisms
- On time notification
- Training and education activities

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NOVEMBER 2017

November 24 - December 1, 2017

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities:

- Contacted El Paso Healthcare providers (203 from June to October, 2017), distributed educational materials and provided information on Zika diagnosis/laboratory guidelines.
- Continued scheduling visits and presentations.

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November 20-24, 2017

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities:

- Meeting with Epidemiology and Public Preparedness Program to discuss Zika Response Incident Action
- Continue scheduling visits with Healthcare providers
- Visited 2 pediatricians for outreach

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November 15, 2017

Conference call with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to discuss El Paso Department of Public Health Zika outreach model to be implemented in other Programs.

Meeting Program:

- Welcome and self introductions
- Questions on data points
- Discussion about data from Texas Medical Association (used to inform outreach)
- Update on the El Paso Department of Public Health model for extended outreach efforts

Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiologist; Flore Puentes, CDC Zika Field Support Consultant

November 13-17, 2017

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities:

- Zika poster presentation at the Border Public Health Interest Group (BPHIG) Research Exhibit and Awards, November 14, 2017. The Epidemiology Program received an acknowledgement plaque for supporting the BPHIG and presenting the Zika poster,
- Finalized fax blast for pediatricians on updated Zika Guidance for Infants, November 16, 2017
- Visited 8 pediatricians for outreach

- Assisted Lead Epidemiologist providing patient and provider information for probable case.
- Presented at House of Hope (Guiding Star) on Friday, November 17, 2017.

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November 8, 2017

Border Epidemiology Surveillance Team (BEST) Meeting, Doña Ana County Office of Emergency Management, 1170 N. Solano Dr., Suite O, Las Cruces, NM 88001

Meeting Program:

- Epidemiology Updates including Vector Transmitted Disease:
 - * Sanitary Jurisdiction II SSCH, Juarez, Mexico
 - * El Paso Department of Public Health
 - * New Mexico/TB Epidemiological-Update
 - * Texas Epidemiological/TB Update
 - * CDC DGMQ Epidemiological Update
 - * Round Table
 - * Discussion and Announcements

Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiologist

November 2, 2017

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Local Health Department Initiative Quarterly Town Hall Call.

The agenda for the call includes:

- Welcome and Updates
- CDC Zika Response Deactivation
- Discussion from the Field Assignee Summit
- Discussion about Internally Displaced People from US Virginia Islands and Puerto Rico
- Q1 Performance Evaluation Data
- Continuing the Conversation

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November 1, 2017

Monthly Touchpoint conference with CNI Advantage, LLC.

Conference call to discuss Zika collaborative outcomes, challenges and support activities.

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OCTOBER 2017

October 30, 2017

Meeting with the Texas Tech Medical School MD/MPH Program Coordinator.
Epidemiology Program training to Medical Students in January, 2018.
Department of Public Health Epidemiology Program Introductory Session.
Notifiable conditions hands-on component with three stations to present specific mandatory reporting of various conditions such as Food and Water enteric diseases, Sexually Transmitted Diseases and Zika.

E. Lee Rosenthal, PhD, MS, MPH Department of Medical Education Paul L. Foster School of Medicine Texas Tech University Health; Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiologist

October 26, 2017

Press Release, Department of Public Health announced a new confirmed case of West Nile Virus. This brings the total number of local cases to 14 so far this season.

Included preventive actions, 4D's:

- DEET - Use insect repellents that contain DEET
- DRESS - Wear long sleeves, long pants, and socks when outdoors.
- DUSK and DAWN - Residents should take extra care during peak mosquito biting hours (from dusk to dawn).
- DRAIN - Drain standing water from flowerpots, gutters, buckets, pool covers, pet water dishes, and birdbaths.

Robert Resendes, Director; Armando Saldivar, Public Affairs Officer; Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiologist

October 22 - 26, 2017

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Summit for CDC field assignees.

Agenda Items:

- Group discussions on successes and challenges in the field
- Clinical Zika Pregnancy and Infant Registry Surveillance
- Grant Opportunities
- Program evaluation, knowledge, management/communication, partner activity
- Identify regional goals and approach
- Discuss goals to sustain Zika programs beyond the emergency response and how to replicate Local Health Department initiative in future outbreaks
- Emergency response procedures and Zika's role in the Hurricane Recovery

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October 17, 2017

Press Release, Department of Public Health Warns Residents of Mosquito-Borne Illness
Mosquitoes infected with St. Louis Encephalitis identified in El Paso County.

Interview with Alonzo Velasquez Telemundo, 4D's preventive actions:

- DEET - Use insect repellents that contain DEET
- DRESS - Wear long sleeves, long pants, and socks when outdoors.
- DUSK and DAWN - Residents should take extra care during peak mosquito biting hours (from dusk to dawn).
- DRAIN - Drain standing water from flowerpots, gutters, buckets, pool covers, pet water dishes, and birdbaths.

Robert Resendes, Director; Armando Saldivar, Public Affairs Officer; Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiologist

October 16 - 20, 2017

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities included:

- Visited 8 pediatricians; provided educational packet, Zika brochures and the updated notifiable conditions list.
- Visit to Del Sol Medical Center Emergency Room, two pediatricians were informed.
- Participated in Webinar: Zika Virus and your eyes.
- Continue scheduling visits with providers and hospitals.
- Organizing a Zika poster for the Border Public Health Interest Group, Research Poster Exhibit, November 9, 2017.

Flor Puentes, CDC Zika Field Support Consultant, Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiologist

October 9 - 13, 2017

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities:

- Visited 3 pediatricians; Provided educational packet, Zika brochures and notifiable conditions list
- Provided contact information for follow-up questions
- Continued calling and emailing to schedule visits with providers and hospitals

Ms. Flor Puentes, CDC Zika Field Support Consultant

Oct 9, 2017

City of El Paso department of Public Health, Border Public Health Interest Group, Research Poster Exhibit and Recognitions.

Organizing a Zika poster to participate in the Exhibit on November 9, 2017

Ms. Flor Puentes, CDC Zika Field Support Consultant

October 2-6, 2017

Zika Field Support Consultant activities included:

- Planned meeting with Laboratories to deliver and explain testing protocols and sample storage instructions.
- Presentation to Gayle Graves-Hunt School of Nursing students, Fall 2017
- Visited 2 Pediatricians, La Fe Clinic, delivered educational packets and Zika brochures
- Participated in TX USZPR call
- Presented to Texas Tech OB GYN residents (Grand Rounds)
- Continue calling and emailing to schedule visits with providers and hospitals

Ms. Flor Puentes, CDC Zika Field Support Consultant September 2017

SEPTEMBER 2017

September 25-29, 2017

Zika Field Support Consultant activities included:

- Met with Zika Team for debriefing of Zika Action Day event: What went well and where can we make improvements for next year
- Participated in Epidemiology meeting with local and state Epidemiologists and Vector Control
- Continue calling and emailing to schedule visits with providers and hospitals
- Visited 5 pediatric clinics and provided Zika educational packets and brochures
- Preparing Power Point presentations for next week for Texas Tech Nursing School and Texas Tech OBGYN residents

Ms. Flor Puentes, CDC Zika Field Support Consultant

September 23, 2017

Zika Action Day, Memorial Park, 1701 N. Copia St, El Paso, 79930.

The program included:

- Free Zika prevention kits
- Kid's games
- Health Information Booths
- Demonstrations
- Family Fun

*Department of Public Health Programs, Environmental Services-Vector Control and Recycling,
Texas Department of State Health Services and UT Health-School of Public Health El Paso
Campus*

September 20, 2017

The Department of Public Health-Epidemiology Program confirmed 2 new cases of West Nile Virus Disease in El Paso, for a total of 13 cases this season.

Press release was distributed.

"We invite the community to join us and take mosquito-borne disease prevention seriously," said Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiologist.

"This weekend's Zika Action Day event will provide an opportunity for families and individuals to learn and gain a better understanding of what they can do to help prevent diseases like West Nile Virus and Zika."

The 4D's preventive actions were included in the Press Release:

- DEET - Use insect repellents that contain deet when outdoors.
- DRESS - Wear long sleeves, long pants, and socks when outdoors.
- DUSK and DAWN - Although mosquitoes associated with Zika can be active throughout the day, residents should take extra care during peak mosquito biting hours (from dusk to dawn) or consider avoiding outdoor activities during these times.
- DRAIN - Drain standing water from flowerpots, gutters, buckets, pool covers, pet water dishes, and birdbaths.

Department of Public Health Management, Public Affairs Officer and Lead Epidemiologist

September 11-15, 2017

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities:

- A Zika presentation was provided to Staff and Pediatricians from the El Paso Pediatric Associates Clinic. Educational Zika packets were distributed.
- Continue scheduling visits with providers and hospitals.
- Coordinating the Zika Action Day to take place on September 23, 2017 at Memorial Park, 1701 N. Copia St., El Paso, 79930.

Ms. Flor Puentes, Zika Field Support Consultant

September 11, 2017

The Department of Public Health-Epidemiology Program confirmed 6 new cases of West Nile Virus Disease in El Paso, for a total of 11 cases this season. Press Release and Media interviews will be completed this week to promote preventive actions for mosquito transmitted diseases.

"We need to remember that it takes about a teaspoon of water to create breeding conditions

for mosquitoes that carry the West Nile Virus, " said Lead Epidemiologist Fernando Gonzalez. "As soon as we see rain, we need to start thinking about getting outside our homes and getting rid of it."

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*City of El Paso Department of Public Health Lead Epidemiologist and Public Affairs Officer,
Armando Saldivar*

September 4-9, 2017

Zika Field Support Consultant Activities:

- Visited 6 Pediatricians
- Continued phone calls and e-mails to schedule visits with health providers and hospitals
- Coordinating with Zika health educators to plan for the Preparedness Expo and Zika Action Day
- Participated in the US Zika Pregnancy registry call
- Participated in the Department of Public Health Preparedness Expo 2017. The purpose was to inform and educate the community on actions to help reduce and spread of Zika and other mosquito-borne viruses. Educational materials (English-Spanish) were distributed, CDC Zika Basics flipbooks, activity books for children and Zika prevention kits.

Ms. Flor Puentes, Zika Field Support Consultant

AUGUST 2017

August 16, 2017

Your City in Five. A Weekly Snapshot of Your City Government. Fourth West Nile Virus Case in El Paso and Mosquito Prevention.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oe33-9KQKo8>

Preventive actions for mosquito transmitted diseases.

City of El Paso Department of Public Health, Lead Epidemiologist and Public Affairs Officer

August 16, 2017

Press Release and TV interviews.

The Department of Public Health-Epidemiology Program confirmed the fourth West Nile Virus Case in El Paso.

Preventive actions for mosquito transmitted diseases.

Interviews English-Spanish: KTSM-News Channel 9, Entravision and Diario de Juarez.

City of El Paso Department of Public Health Lead Epidemiologist and Public Affairs Officer

August 16, 2017

Meeting with the Vector Control Programs from El Paso, Environmental Services and Health Jurisdiction, Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua.

The meeting provided an opportunity to have an open discussion on activities from each program and collaborative opportunities. Mosquito surveillance and control, field work, chemicals utilized and mosquito resistance.

City of El Paso Department of Public Health Lead Epidemiologist, Environmental Services, Vector Control Program and the UTEP Bio-Safety Laboratory

August 15, 2017

Samavi Ahsan, Zika Epidemiology Regional Coordinator, CNI Advantage, LLC, conducted Field Assignee Management Check-In.

The primary purpose was to have a Face-to-face meeting with the El Paso Zika Field Support Coordinator. Performance was reviewed and followed daily activities. A meeting took place with the Health Department Director, Lead Epidemiologist and Zika Coordinator, outcomes were presented on the collaborative effort with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

City of El Paso Department of Public Health Director, Lead Epidemiologist, Zika Coordinator and Zika Field Support Consultant.

August 11, 2017

Visited Texas Tech-UHSC-El Paso.

Meeting with Maternal-Fetal Medicine providers. An invitation was extended to present at the Faculty Meetings.

City of El Paso Department of Public Health, Zika Field Support Consultant

August 10, 2017

The purpose of the visits was to deliver and explain the Zika educational packet.

City of El Paso Department of Public Health, Zika Field Support Consultant

August 8, 2017

Centro San Vicente Provider Outreach Zika presentation, Surveillance, Reporting, Labs and Referral to Service.

Twenty four providers attended the presentation. Educational Zika packets were distributed to Obstetrician-Gynecologist and Family Medicine practitioners.

City of El Paso Department of Public Health, Zika Field Support Consultant

August 7-11, 2017

Coordination meetings with the Department of Public Health Zika Health Educators.

Organizing participation in local health fairs and community events.

Providing Zika education to pregnant women at WIC clinics utilizing CDC Zika Flipbooks;

Organizing bilingual CDC Zap Zika videos.

City of El Paso Department of Public Health, Zika Field Support Consultant

August 3, 2017

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Local Health Department Initiative Town Hall and Update Call.

Discussion on results from the site visits, next steps and how to continue to support and collaborate to build capacity at the local level against Zika.

City of El Paso Department of Public Health Director, Zika Field Support Consultant and Lead Epidemiologist

August 3, 2017

Texas Association of City & County Health Officials (TACCHO) conference.

1. Intros and Zika counts

2. Global, National, State and Local Update on Zika

3. CDC appointee updates

4. Topic discussion Items: Updates on Zika in Hidalgo County Roll-out of ZIKA response plans for 2017 mosquito season. Use of TACCHO website as a repository for State/ CDC/WHO Zika Information

5. Next Steps

6. Adjourn

City of El Paso Department of Public Health Director, TACCHO Zika - EID workgroup, Zika Field Support Consultant and Lead Epidemiologist

August 3, 2017

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Local Tailored Performance Plan - El Paso Health Department.

The purpose of the conference all was to measure and evaluate the impact of the Field Assignees and other support provided through the Zika Local Health Department Initiative. To ensure that those measures are tailored to El Paso's unique Zika priority areas and a Performance Plan will be completed.

City of El Paso Department of Public Health Lead Epidemiologist, Public Health Preparedness, Zika Field Support Consultant, Zika Coordinator and Laboratory

August 2, 2017

Zika Response Plan Review meeting and Exercise.

The purpose of the meeting-exercise was to understand roles and degree of preparedness in our areas of responsibility and to identify additional updates to the plans as to ensure a smooth response during activation. The case scenario was a local Zika diagnosed case in a specific Colonia.

City of El Paso Department of Public Health Management, Lead Epidemiologist, Public Health Preparedness, Zika Field Support Consultant, Zika Coordinator and Laboratory

JULY 2017

July 26, 2017

APIC meeting presentations at Del Sol Regional Oncology Center.

- Flor Puentes, Provider outreach and education; Community outreach and education; Surveillance and reporting; Laboratory requests, testing, and reporting; Referrals to service.
- Mark Canfield, "Neonatal Zika Surveillance in Texas".

CDC Zika Field Support Consultant, Lead Epidemiologist, birth Defects Epidemiology & Surveillance Branch, Texas DSHS, Members of the Infection Control Practitioners Association

July 26, 2017

El Paso Department of Public Health/Department of State Health Services Birth Defects and Epidemiology & Surveillance Branch

Agenda:

- Welcome and Introductions
- DSHS Updates: Neonatal Zika Surveillance and CMS Grant
- DSHS Regional Update
- Department of Public Health Zika Plan 2016 and Addendum

- Overview 2017
- Zika activities update
- Zika Clinic and Lab Algorithms
- Other Items

City of El Paso Department of Public Health Director and Deputy Director, Lead Epidemiologist, Zika Field Support Consultant, Laboratory Manager, Clinical Programs representative, Texas Department of State Health Services

July 20 - 21, 2017

Department of Public Health Zika Program visited El Paso Immunization Coalition, El Paso Rio OB/GYN, and Project Vida

- To expand clinical outreach and communication to community healthcare providers.
- To share Zika information with the community at-large through community meetings, events, and other forums.

CDC-Zika Epidemiologist

July 17 and 20, 2017

The City of El Paso Department of Public Health confirmed second and third cases of West Nile Virus in El Paso.

Press releases on July 17 and 20, 2017. Preventive actions for mosquito transmitted diseases included. TV Interviews (English-Spanish): Telemundo, Univision, KVIA and FOX

Department of Public Health Director, Public Affairs Officer, Lead Epidemiologist

July 17, 2017

Epidemiology Biweekly Meeting.

A reporting/discussion meeting to discuss current trends, cases and outbreaks with associated response and information dissemination. Zika and other vector transmitted diseases.

Texas DSHS, TB-HIV-STD Clinics, Fort Bliss, Department of Public Health Epidemiology, Public Affairs, Food Inspection, Laboratory, Vector Control Programs

July 14, 2017

Department of Public Health Directors Conference Room

Texas Tech Nursing School and Department of Public Health Student Rotation Plan meeting
Joint meeting with Texas Tech Nursing School and Department of Public Health to advance public health as a career for future professionals through the academic health department.

Texas Tech Nursing School and Department of Public Health

July 10, 2017

Zika Team received training on Zika Virus Disease, Vector Control, Clinical Services, Laboratory Testing, Zika-CDC action plan and Emergency Preparedness Response.

- Welcome and Introduction - Angela Mora, Deputy Director
- Introduction to Zika & Zika Plan - Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiologist
- Mosquitoes in El Paso County & Vector Control Efforts - Peter Ortega, Code Compliance Officer
- CDC Collaboration & Current Efforts - Flor Puentes, Epidemiologist-Zika
- Zika Clinical Services - Catherine R. Perez
- Zika Laboratory Testing - Steve Martinez, Interim Laboratory Manager
- Emergency Response/ICS - Angela Mora, Ruth Castillo, Emergency Preparedness Liaison
- Adjourn

Department of Public Health, Public Health Preparedness, Epidemiology, Clinical Services, Laboratory, Department of Environmental Services and CDC Zika

July 7, 2017

Texas DSHS-Office of Border Services-El Paso Department of Public Health-Epidemiology Program Community Health Workers (CHW) Zika Training at 12148 Socorro Rd from 8:30am-1:00pm

- Registration
- Welcome
- Department of Public Health Zika Plan
- Dialogue about Zika, CHW
- Zika Training - The Basics for CHW
- Using the CDC Zika Flip Book to Inform Community
- Debriefing and Unanswered Questions
- Interactive Training Evaluation-Next Steps
- Training Certificates
- Conclusion

Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiologist presented the El Paso Zika Plan and Ms. Flor Puentes, CDC Zika Assignee presented core activities:

- 1) Improve provider and community outreach
- 2) Improve adherence to testing/clinical protocols
- 3) Improve data collection and reporting
- 4) Increase testing and follow up for at-risk pregnant women and infants
- 5) Increase the number of affected families with a medical home and care coordination.

*Texas DSHS-Office of Border Services, Familias Triunfadoras - Community Health Workers,
Department of Public Health Epidemiology-Zika CDC*

July 6, 2017

San Juan Senior Center West Nile Virus-Zika Virus Disease Presentation at 5701 Tamburo Ct, El Paso, Texas 79905 from 12:00pm-1:00pm.

Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiologist and Jorge Gallegos, Epidemiologist Presented on West Nile Virus-Zika Virus Disease to Senior Attendants.

San Juan Senior Center/ Department of Public Health Epidemiology Program

JUNE 2017

June 24, 2017

Radio interview with Maria "Lucy" Galnares ENTRAVISION. Zika Virus Disease and other Vector Transmitted Diseases. History, Transmission, Statistics, Symptoms and Risk Groups, Prevention and Department of Public Health and vector control activities.

Department of Public Health Lead Epidemiologist

June 20, 2017

CNI Advantage contracted to Centers for Disease Control and Lead Epidemiologist, El Paso Management Conference Call to discuss CDC Assignee outcomes and deliverables.

CNI Management and Lead Epidemiologist

June 19, 2017

Epidemiology Biweekly Meeting. A reporting/discussion meeting to discuss current trends, cases and outbreaks with associated response and information dissemination. Zika and other vector transmitted diseases.

Texas Department of State Health Services/ TB-HIV-STD Clinics/Fort Bliss/Epidemiology/ Food Inspection/ Laboratory/Vector Control

June 15-16, 2017

Texas Department of State Health Services, Office of Broder Services: Community Health Workers-Promotores de Salud Training, Centro de Salud Familiar La Fe.

Fernando Gonzalez, Department of Public Health Lead Epidemiologist, present the El Paso

Region Zika Plan. Flor Puentes, Centers for Disease Control Zika Assignee, presented core activities:

1. Improve provider and community outreach education
2. Improve adherence to testing and clinical protocols
3. Improve data collection and reporting for US Zika Pregnancy Registry and Zika Birth Defects Surveillance
4. Increase testing and follow up for at-risk pregnant women and infants
5. Increase the number of affected families with a medical home and care coordination

Texas Department of State Health Services-Office of Border Services, Department of Public Health Lead Epidemiologist/Centers for Disease Control Zika Assignee

June 13-14, 2017

Binational Forum: Emerging Mosquito Borne Infectious Diseases along the U.S.-Mexico Border at El Paso Marriot.

Goals:

- Convene the 10 United States-Mexico Border States in solidarity to address mosquito borne disease of concern to both countries
- To review and improve communication and cooperation mechanisms to detect, prevent and control mosquito border infectious disease outbreaks along both sides of the border.

U.S.-Mexico Border Health Commission, Texas Department of State Health Services

June 9, 2017

Zika Outreach meeting with Mr. Bill Schlesinger, CEO at Project Vida.

Ms. Flor Puentes, CDC Zika Assignee and Fernando Gonzalez, Department of Public Health Lead Epidemiologist, attended a meeting in which Ms. Puentes presented briefly the objectives of her mission and provided a packet with educational materials:

1. Improve provider and community outreach education
2. Improve adherence to testing and clinical protocols
3. Improve data collection and reporting for US Zika Pregnancy Registry and Zika Birth Defects Surveillance
4. Increase testing and follow up for at-risk pregnant women and infants
5. Increase the number of affected families with a medical home and care coordination

Department of Public Health Lead Epidemiologist/CDC Zika Assignee/Mr. Bill Schlesinger, CEO at Project Vida

June 8, 2017

Zika and vector transmitted diseases presentation to the Cielo Vista Neighborhood Association (CVNA).

Department of Public Health Lead Epidemiologist/Cielo Vista Neighborhood Association Members

June 1, 2017

Department of Public Health Zika-Testing Coordination Meeting.
Zika Epidemiology, Laboratory and Clinical Services criteria:

- Zika testing criteria update - Pregnant women
- Zika patient algorithms
- WIC Zika referral process
- Zika test requisition

Department of Public Health Director/Public Affairs Officer/ Laboratory/WIC/Clinical Services/ Epidemiology Managers and CDC Zika Appointee

MAY 2017

May 25, 2017

Planning meeting for the Promotora Zika Training was held at the Department of Public Health. The Promotora training will take place on June 15, 2017. Stakeholders attended and discussed about venue still to be decided as well as general program for the training.

Texas DSHS, CDC-Quarantine Office, CDC assignee and DPH Epidemiology program

May 24, 2017

Zika Plan Review with Epidemiology staff.

DPH Epidemiology staff had a meeting to discuss Zika Plan update to be concluded by May 31, for Management review.

DPH Epidemiology Program

May 23, 2017

Zika 3-1-1 meeting to discuss answering service.

DPH Management had a meeting to discuss Zika 3-1-1 answering service. Temporarily

Epidemiology Program staff will answer the incoming inquiries from the public. On a later date calls will be transferred to the 2-1-1 program.

DPH Management, Public Health Preparedness and Epidemiology Programs

May 4, 2017

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Skype meeting to present the Local Health Department Initiative.

The agenda included:

- LHD Cohort 1
- Lessons Learned
- Expected Impact
- Next Steps: Local Health Department Applicants Phase 2

Department of Public Health/ Epidemiology Zika Task Force

May 4, 2017

Department of Public Health (DPH) meeting with Centers for Disease Control

Department of Public Health Epidemiology

May 2, 2017

Meeting with CDC Zika Field Assignee to discuss outcomes of introduction meeting in Atlanta, GA (April 24-28, 2017).

Expected Impact:

- Improve provider and community outreach and education
- Improve data collection/reporting
- Improve adherence to testing/clinical protocols
- Increase testing/follow-up care for pregnant women and infants at risk for Zika
- Increase number of families with a medical home and care coordination

Department of Public Health Lead Epidemiologist/Centers for Disease

APRIL 2017

April 25, 2017

Zika interview, El Paso KTSM Channel 9.

Department of Public Health Management/Epidemiology

April 24, 2017

Epidemiology Biweekly Meeting.

A reporting/discussion meeting to discuss current trends, cases and outbreaks with associated response and information dissemination. Zika and other vector transmitted diseases.

April 19, 2017

Meeting with CDC Zika Field Assignee, Epidemiology and Management staff.

Reviewed and discussed:

- Department of Public Health Zika Plan and Addendum
- State Notification forms
- Department of Public Health Lab submission draft form
- Screening Protocols
- Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Obstetrics and Pediatrics Guidelines
- Fertility rates map

Department of Public Health Management/Epidemiology

April 17, 2017

Ms. Flor Puentes, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Zika Field Assignee introductory meeting with Lead Epidemiology.

Discussed 2016-2017 activities and 2017-2018 work plan areas to be concluded after visit to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, April 17-21.

Department of Public Health Management/Epidemiology

April 3-4, 2017

Cameron County Zika Conference-South Padre Island

Department of Public Health Director

MARCH 2017

March 30, 2017

Department of Public Health meeting to discuss the Zika El Paso Department of Public Health Laboratory Testing Process.

Healthcare providers EPIDEMIOLOGY ZIKA SCREENING form.

Department of Public Health, Clinical Services, Laboratory and Disease Control/Epidemiology Programs

March 27, 2017

Epidemiology Biweekly Meeting.

A reporting/discussion meeting to discuss current trends, cases and outbreaks with associated response and information dissemination.

Zika and other vector transmitted diseases.

Texas Department of State Health Services/ TB-HIV-STD Clinics/Fort Bliss/Epidemiology/ Food Inspection/ Laboratory/Vector Control

March 23, 2017

Texas Tech School of Nursing presentation.

Introduction to Zika Prevention - Fernando Gonzalez, Lead Epidemiologist.

- Understand Zika mode of transmission and modes of prevention
- Discuss basic Zika prevention messages
- Discuss mode of prevention
- Zika Prevention Q&A-15 minutes

Date/Times: Tuesday 23, 2017 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: Texas Tech School of Nursing, Medical Education Building.

Texas Tech School of Nursing. Introduction to Public Health Epidemiology for Nursing Students.

March 21, 2017

The Border Epidemiology Surveillance Team (BEST) meeting.

Zika update - Fernando Gonzalez, Department of Public Health, Lead Epidemiologist.

Date/Time: Tuesday, March 21st from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: Texas Department of State Health Services, 401 E. Franklin Ste. 150, El Paso, TX 79901

Texas Department of State Health Services/ New Mexico Department of Health/ El Paso Department of Health and US-Mexico Border Health Commission, CDC Quarantine Station, Ciudad Juarez, Mexico Health Department and Academic Institutions

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Zika and other vector transmitted diseases.

Texas Department of State Health Services/ TB-HIV-STD Clinics/Fort Bliss/Epidemiology/ Food Inspection/ Laboratory/Vector Control

March 1-2, 2017

Site Visit.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, City of El Paso Department of Public Health and their partners will convene to learn how the local jurisdiction conducts Zika pregnancy and birth defects surveillance and refers families to services. The site visit will be conducted over two days at the City of El Paso Department of Public Health. The information collected during the site visit will be used to tailor field assistance to meet the unique needs of the City of El Paso Department of Public Health and its community.

Anticipated Outputs -Shared understanding of how the Local Health Department currently collects and reports data on pregnant women with lab evidence of Zika and infants with associated birth defects -Shared understanding of how the Local Health Department refers pregnant women and their children affected by Zika to the services they need -Prioritized list of field assistance options that could address Local Health Department needs

City of El Paso (Public Health Department, Laboratory, Environmental Services, Water Utilities) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, CNI, Deloitte March of Dimes City MATCH National Organization of Urban MCH Leaders Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs Texas Tech University, Health Sciences Center UTEP El Paso Zika Task Force Members Juarez, Mexico Public Health Authorities Texas Department of Public Health New Mexico Office of Border United Blood Service

FEBRUARY 2017

February 27, 2017

Epidemiology Biweekly Meeting. A reporting/discussion meeting to discuss current trends, cases and outbreaks with associated response and information dissemination. Zika and other vector transmitted diseases.

Texas Department of State Health Services/ TB-HIV-STD Clinics/Fort Bliss/Epidemiology/ Food Inspection/ Laboratory/Vector Control

February 13, 2014

Epidemiology Biweekly Meeting. A reporting/discussion meeting to discuss current trends, cases and outbreaks with associated response and information dissemination. Zika and other vector transmitted diseases.

Texas Department of State Health Services/ TB-HIV-STD Clinics/Fort Bliss/Epidemiology/ Food Inspection/ Laboratory/Vector Control

February 8, 2017

Zika Pregnancy and Birth Defects Local Health Department Field Support Application. Conference Call with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to discuss site visit planned for March 1-2, 2017.

Public Health Department/Fiscal/ Epidemiology

February 8, 2017

Program Representatives meeting. Zika site visit overview.

Public Health Department Representatives

February 6, 2017

Department of Public Health Executive Committee, Zika site visit overview, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Public Health Department/Executive Committee Members

February 5, 2017

Zika Pregnancy and Birth Defects Local Health Department Field Support Application. A site visit is being organized with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). CDC site visit is confirmed for March 1, 2017.

Public Health Department/Director/ Management/ Epidemiology/ Public Affairs Officer/ Grant Writing/ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

JANUARY 2017

January 31, 2017

The Epidemiology Program participated with two display boards (Zika and Epidemiology) during the Anniversary Open House and Pillars of Public Health Awards event. An Epidemiologist and two Field Epidemiologists were onsite providing information to participants.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

January 30, 2017

Epidemiology Biweekly Meeting. A reporting/discussion meeting to discuss current trends, cases and outbreaks with associated response and information dissemination. Zika and other vector transmitted diseases.

Texas Department of State Health Services/ TB-HIB-STD Clinics/Fort Bliss/Epidemiology/ Food Inspection/ Laboratory/Vector Control

January 20, 2017

Planning meeting on US-Mexico Guidelines for Coordination on Epidemiologic Events (including Zika) of Mutual Interest, Texas Department of State Health Services.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

January 19, 2017

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Commissioner announced:

- The State of Texas is budgeting \$25.9M for Zika response this coming year.
- The state is allocating \$10.1M to Local Health Department with *Aedes aegypti* mosquitos and urban border communities.
- \$4M directed toward a statewide media campaign.
- \$3.2M is going toward increasing laboratory capacity.

Follow up will occur during next Texas Association of City and County Health Officials (TACCHO) meeting to be held in Austin, TX on February 9, 2017.

Public Health Department/Director

January 13, 2017

Meeting on US-Mexico Guidelines for Coordination on Epidemiologic Events (including Zika) of Mutual Interest held at the Texas Department of Health Services Regional Office.

Epidemiology

January 10, 2017

Universidad Autónoma de Chihuahua and Colgate University, New York, Border Health Visit. Public Health Presentation, Zika included. Meeting at UTEP College of Health Sciences.

Epidemiology

January 10, 2017

Zika Presentation, Texas Department of Transportation. Safety Meeting presentation.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

January 9, 2017

Zika Pregnancy and Birth Defects Local Health Department Field Support Application. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will be contacting the El Paso Department of Public Health in mid-January to announce field support decisions and schedule on-site assessments.

Public Health Department/Director/ Health Authority/ Epidemiology/Public Affairs Officer/Grant Writing/ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

January 5, 2017

Conference call. Zika Pregnancy and Birth Defects Local Health Department Field Support Application submitted to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Zika Local Health Department Support Interview: El Paso, Texas.

Public Health Department/Director/ Management/Health Authority/ Epidemiology/Public Affairs Officer/Grant Writing/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

DECEMBER 2016

December 19, 2016

Epidemiology Biweekly Meeting. A reporting/discussion meeting to discuss current trends, cases and outbreaks with associated response and information dissemination. Zika and other vector transmitted diseases. Because of the Holidays, the group will reconvene on January 9, 2017.

Texas Department of State Health Services/ TB-HIV-STD Clinics/Fort Bliss/Epidemiology/ Food Inspection/ Laboratory/Vector Control

December 14, 2016

Department of Public Health Advisory The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Guidance for Travel and Testing of Pregnant Women and Women of Reproductive Age for Zika Virus Infection Related to the Investigation for Local Mosquito-borne Zika Virus Transmission in Brownsville, Cameron County, Texas. <https://www.cdc.gov/zika/intheus/texas-update.html>

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/Public Affairs Officer

December 9, 2016

Texas Announces Additional Local Zika Cases in Cameron County - The Texas Department of State Health Services have identified four additional cases of suspected locally transmitted Zika

virus disease in Cameron County. The cases were identified as part of the follow-up to the state's first case of Zika likely transmitted by a mosquito in Texas, announced December 9, 2016.

<http://dshs.texas.gov/news/releases/2016/20161209.aspx>

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/Public Affairs Officer

December 8, 2016

Zika Pregnancy and Birth Defects Field Support to Local Health Departments.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

December 6, 2016

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) national call on Vector Control Activities.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

December 5, 2016

Epidemiology Biweekly Meeting. A reporting/discussion meeting to discuss.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/Texas Department of State Health

NOVEMBER 2016

November 25, 2016

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) will host a national call from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm EST on Tuesday, December 6, 2016.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

November 8-11, 2016

Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine/Americas Network for Chronic Disease Surveillance. XIII International Conference on Chronic Diseases, Las Cruces, New Mexico. Attendance to the meeting by Department of Public Health Epidemiology program staff.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

November 7, 2016

Presented Zika Draft Plan for 2017 during the Department of Public Health Executive Committee meeting.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

November 7, 2016

Epidemiology Biweekly Meeting. A reporting/discussion meeting to discuss current trends, cases and outbreaks with associated response and information dissemination. Zika and other vector transmitted diseases.

Texas Department of State Health Services / TB-HIV-STD Clinics / Fort Bliss / Epidemiology / Food Inspection / Laboratory / Vector Control

OCTOBER 2016

October 31, 2016

Las Palmas Del Sol Women and Teen Center Health Fair, 4110 1/2 Montana. Zika information and materials will be provided.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

October 28, 2016

New Mexico State University, News 22 KRWG, Public Media for Southern New Mexico and far West Texas. Interview with Mark Saldana.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

October 24, 2016

Epidemiology Biweekly Meeting. A reporting/discussion meeting to discuss current trends, cases and outbreaks with associated response and information dissemination. Zika and other vector transmitted diseases.

Texas Department of State Health Services / TB-HIV-STD Clinics / Fort Bliss / Epidemiology / Food Inspection / Laboratory / Vector Control

October 21, 2016

Binational Health Week Mexican Consulate, Centro Comunitario Socorro Ramirez, 106 Peyton Rd., El Paso, TX 79928. QUAD Counties Council Colonias Promotora Programa. Distribution of Zika kits.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

October 20, 2016

Health Fair, Ricardo Estrada Middle School, 851 Darrington Road, El Paso, TX 79928. QUAD Counties Council Colonias Promotora Programa. Distribution of Zika kits.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

October 20, 2016

Distributed Zika kits to A.Y.U.D.A. Inc. and QUAD Counties Council Colonias Promotora Program.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

October 20, 2016

Zika presentation was provided by Epidemiology Lead to the members of the Castner Heights Neighborhood Association (CHNA), during the general membership meeting at Northeast Regional Command Center located at 9600 Dyer St, 79924.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

October 18, 2016

Zika presentation was provided by the Epidemiology Lead during the Annual Border Epidemiology and Surveillance Team (BEST) Infectious Disease Forum. Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM. Central topics: Arboviruses (Zika), Immigrant and Refugee Health and Rickettsial diseases.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/Border Epidemiology and Surveillance Team

October 17, 2016

Zika Task Force meeting. Update and exchange information and discuss future actions for Zika prevention.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/UTEP/ Department of State Health Services/ Environmental Services-Vector Control/Water Utilities/ Emergence Health Network

October 11, 2016

Participation in the 14th Annual Conference, Paso del Norte Red de Promotoras, El Paso Community College Administrative Service Center. Distribution of Zika kits to Promotoras.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

October 4, 2016

The Department of Public Health/Epidemiology Zika Program will be participating in the Anthony, Texas Police Department, National Night Out (NNO), October 4, 2016, 5:00-8:00 pm, Anthony Arroyo Park at 100 Richard White, Anthony TX 79821. Distributed Zika kits to uninsured population including pregnant women.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

SEPTEMBER 2016

September 28-29, 2016

Attendance to the International Zika Conference and Workshop, Washington, DC.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

September 22, 2016

Interview with Channel 26, Spanish interview on seasonal diseases including Zika and West Nile prevention.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

September 20, 2016

Brainstorming session with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention-Quarantine Epidemiology Surveillance Team.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

September 20, 2016

Webinar, Protecting Students from Mosquitoes and the Zika Virus at School. To learn more about the event, please visit the website: [https://epawebconferencing.acms.com/mosquitoes-sipm/event/event info.html](https://epawebconferencing.acms.com/mosquitoes-sipm/event/event%20info.html)

Environmental Protection Agency

September 17, 2016

The Public Health Preparedness Program participated in US Customs Border Patrol's Family Outreach event held at Ft. Bliss by handing out educational materials and hosting the "Zika Tip and Toss Relay Race" to educate families about mosquito-bite prevention.

Public Health Department/ Public Health Preparedness/Public Affairs Officer

September 17, 2016

Attendance to the Neighborhood Association meeting to assess Zika presentations from associates, Pat O'Rourke Recreation, 901 N. Virginia ST., El Paso, TX 79902. Provided English and Spanish education materials on Zika prevention tips.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

September 17, 2016

Distribution of Zika kits to uninsured population including pregnant women. Centro Comunitario Socorro Ramirez, 106 Peyton Rd, 79928.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

September 15, 2016

Press release, Fifth West Nile Case reported in El Paso, mosquito-borne diseases continue to pose threat, prevention tips.

Public Health Department/Public Affairs Officer/ Epidemiology

September 15, 2016

Parent Engagement presentation at the Coldwell Elementary, English-Spanish, 4101 Altura, El Paso, TX 79903

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

September 13, 2016

Participated in the Texas Department of State Health Services High Consequence Infectious Disease (HCID) workgroup meeting.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

September 13, 2016

Texas Department of State Health Services High Consequence Infectious Disease (HCID) workgroup. The task is to develop and review the regional HCID Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG)

Texas Department of State Health Services/ Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

September 7-8, 2016

Zika Kits (3,000) completed. Kits will be distributed to uninsured population including pregnant women across El Paso County, through partners and stakeholders.

Public Health Department Programs/ Epidemiology

September 7, 2016

West Nile Virus and Zika TV interviews (English-Spanish)

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

September 7, 2016

The SC Johnson and Sesame Street developed a Zika campaign, includes PSAS with the Sesame Street characters and a downloadable toolkit with parent tips sheets and children's activities. "1, 2, 3 Stay Away Mosquitoes".

Public Health Department/Public Affairs Officer/ Epidemiology

September 1, 2016

Reported third traveler Zika case

Public Health Department/Director

September 1, 2016

Zika kits (3,000) to be completed and distributed to uninsured population including pregnant women across El Paso County, through partnering Promotoras (Community Health Workers).

Public Health Department/Public Health Preparedness

AUGUST 2016

August 25, 2016

Press Release/Press Conference, Second travel-related case of Zika serves as a reminder for those visiting affected areas.

Public Health Department/Public Affairs Officer/Director/ Texas Department of State Health Services/Vector Control/Epidemiology

August 25, 2016

Surveillance for Microcephaly in Texas, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/Public Health Preparedness

August 23, 2016

Press release and interviews about West Nile cases, more traps test positive for the virus in El Paso County.

Public Health Department/Public Affairs Officer/Director/ Epidemiology

August 22, 2016

Updated the Department of Public Health Website, Texas Department of State Health Services Mosquito Repellent Medicaid Benefit Pamphlet.

Public Health Department/Public Affairs Officer/Texas Department of State Health Services/ Epidemiology

August 22, 2016

Updated the Department of Public Health Website, Han 394: CDC Expands Guidance for Travel & Testing for Zika Virus Transmission in Miami-Dade, FL

Public Health Department/ Public Affairs Officer/Texas Department of State Health Services/ Epidemiology.

August 20, 2016

Police Department Northeast Regional Command Community Fair. Participated with Vector Control Program in a joint effort, providing information and educating the community on Zika disease prevention and mosquito control. Brochures, fly swatters and insect repellent were distributed.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/Vector Control

August 19, 2016

Updated the Department of Public Health Website, Interim Guidance for the Evaluation and Management of Infants with Possible Congenital Zika Virus Infection-August 2016

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/Public Affairs Officer

August 17, 2016

Centro De Salud San Vicente, presentation to Healthcare Providers

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

August 15, 2016

Zika Tabletop Exercise, Environmental Services

Public Health Department/Director/ Epidemiology/Public Affairs Officer/Vector Control

August 15, 2016

Updated Zika Virus Response Plan submission www.EPHealth.Com.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

August 15, 2016

Department of Public Health management meeting to report on first traveler Zika case. Epidemiology present the first El Paso Zika case on a Florida traveler.

Director/Epidemiology/ Public Health Preparedness/Public Affairs Officer

August 15, 2016

Press conference, City Hall, Mayor Oscar Leeser; Robert Resendes, Department of Public Health Director; Danny Soto, Environmental Services; and Fernando Gonzalez, Department of Public Health.

Public Health Department/Director/ Public Affairs Officer/ Vector Control/ Epidemiology

August 12, 2016

Dallas Morning News article, interviews to local Vector Control and Epidemiology staff. Zika threat along Texas-Mexico border sparks urgent response, international cooperation <http://beta.dallasnews.com/news/zika-virus/2016/08/12/zika-threat-along-texas-mexico->

border-sparksurgent-response-international-cooperation?
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Public Health Department/Vector Control/Epidemiology

August 12, 2016

First Florida travel associated Zika case reported by Texas Department of State Health Services to Department of Public Health/Epidemiology

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

August 11, 2016

Health Advisory to Healthcare providers. The City of El Paso Department of Public Health (DPH) in collaboration with the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is advising healthcare providers to prescribe insect repellent for women between the ages of 10 and 45 or pregnant as one of the available tools to prevent mosquito bites and therefore arboviral infections/diseases such as Zika.

<https://www.elpasotexas.gov/~media/files/coep/public%20health/physicians%20-%20providers/dph%20health%20advisory%20mosquito%20repellent%20081016.ashx?la=en>

Public Health Department/Public Health Preparedness/ Epidemiology

August 9, 2016

Consult with Gila County, AZ on Zika planning.

Public Health Department/Director

August 9, 2016

Border Epidemiology Surveillance Team (BEST) bi-monthly meeting, Zika binational tri-state discussion (Texas, New Mexico and Chihuahua).

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

August 8, 2016

Zika editorial by Director published in El Paso Times.

Public Health Department/Director

August 3, 2016

County Commission presentation on Zika concerns.

Public Health Department/Director

August 3, 2016

Local Media Interviews. Press release on second local West Nile case and confirmed Zika virus local transmission in Florida

Public Health Department/Public Affairs Officer/ Epidemiology

August 3, 2016

Updated Zika Virus Response Plan submission.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

August 1, 2016

White House conference call in Spanish on how to prepare for and respond to the Zika virus at home and abroad, as well as an update on Center for Disease Control and Prevention guidance. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Minority Health

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

August 2016

El Paso Water Utilities bill insert, Protect Against Mosquito Bites and Zika El Paso Agencies Coordinate on "Zika Zero" Campaign

El Paso Water Utilities/ Public Health Department/ Environmental Services

JULY 2016

July 30, 2016

Sue Young Spray Park grand opening, packages distribution containing emergency preparedness checklist, Zika coloring activities and West Nile virus pamphlet.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/Public Health Preparedness

July 27, 2016

Meeting with rural mayors. Zika Materials distribution.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

July 27, 2016

El Paso Community College, Valle Verde Campus, Human Biology Class; 28 students in attendance.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

July 27, 2016

El Paso Community College, Transmountain Campus, Human Biology Class, Vector transmitted disease presentation.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

July 25, 2016

Zika presentation for the Northeast Rotary Club; 21 in attendance.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

July 22, 2016

Zika presentation for the Northeast Rotary Club

Public Health Department/Director

July 22, 2016

Organizing the Zika Response Team.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

July 20, 2016

Planning meeting for Lab Annex Zika testing.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/ Laboratory

July 16, 2016

Introducing "Zika Zero at Tech2o: A Family Learning Event" . "Fight the Bite": Protect yourself and your family

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/Vector Control/UTEP/Texas Department of State Health Services

July 14, 2016

KLAQ Radio Interview, Zika Disease Information, Transmission, Prevention and Control, Thornton, Wayne

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

July 14, 2016

Your City in 5! Interview-video for "Zika Zero at Tech2O: A Family Learning Event"

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

July 13, 2016

Zika Task Force new member. Mental Health Services represented in the Zika Task Force.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

July 13, 2016

Zika presentation for Community Health Care Workers (Spanish).

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

July 12, 2016

El Paso Inc. interview about Zika, Robby Gray

Public Health Department/Director

July 11, 2016

El Paso County Commissioners Court Zika presentation

Public Health Department/Director

July 11, 2016

Sunny 99.9 Radio interview about Zika Disease information, Transmission, Prevention and Control, Melissa Kerr

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

July 6, 2016

Attended the State of Texas Active Response to Zika (STARZ) conference, McAllen TX.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

July 5, 2016

Border Epidemiology Surveillance Team (BEST) Annual Training Planning Meeting Call Zika central topic and include Vector Control. Border Epidemiology Surveillance Team (BEST) meeting, August 9, 2016 Zika strategic discussion

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology, NM Health Department/ UTEP/Texas Department of State Health Services/US-MX Border Health Commission/Secretaria de Salud, MX

JUNE 2016

June 30, 2016

El Paso Water Utilities, Tech2O Zika open house Planning conference call. Open house to be held on July 16, 2016. Participating agencies conference call, topics considered: • Mosquitos in El Paso & Texas • Mosquito prevention in the home • Mosquito prevention when hiking and outdoors • Learn about Zika vs. West Nile Virus What El Paso is doing to "Fight The Bite"

El Paso Water Utilities/ UTEP/Texas Department of State Health Services/El Paso Vector Control/Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

June 29, 2016

Visit to Vector Control Program, Health Jurisdiction, Juarez, Chihuahua. Learned about the Vector Control-Epidemiology Programs in Juarez and exchanged information on specific actions on Juarez-El Paso programs.

Public Health Department/Vector Control/Health Jurisdiction Juarez

June 23, 2016

American City & County Magazine interview on Zika and West Nile Virus.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

June 16, 2016

Zika Stakeholder's Article for Department of Public Health Newsletter to be published in next Newsletter issue.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology/Public Affairs Officer

June 13, 2016

Borderzine Reporting Across Fronteras interview. • Zika Definition • History • Symptoms • Epidemiology • Challenges • Updates

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

Summer 2016

Volunteer/Internship applications. Reviewing Interns and Volunteers for Zika activities.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

June 9-10, 2016

Texas Association of City & County Health Officials (TACCHO)

Public Health Department/Director

June 9, 2016

Zika Communications Task Force. Texas Department of State Health Services estimation of material to be ordered.

Public Health Department/Health Education Program

June 9, 2016

Texas Department of State Health Services Zika Communications Toolkit and material available <http://www.texaszika.org/materials.html#toolkit>

Texas Department of State Health Service/Public Health Department

June 8, 2016

Distribution to Zika Task Force. State of Texas Senate letter to President Barack Obama on Zika funding support

Texas Department of State Health Service/Public Health Department

June 7-9, 2016

High Consequence Infectious Disease Response workshop. Panel Speaker, Local and Regional Preparedness and Response Strategies.

Texas Department of State Health Service/Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

June 6-10, 2016

Distributed educational materials: 200 Zika activity books 50 brochures MacArthur Elementary School staff and 1st graders. Border Epidemiology Surveillance Team (BEST) is planning its annual training meeting in August 2016 and Zika is included in the agenda.

Public Health Department/Health Education Program

June 6, 2016

Topics of discussion: • Venue • Confirming Date • Potential topics (Zika)/speakers • Updates

Border Epidemiology Team/Public Health Department

June 3, 2016

Presentation, City of El Paso District 4 community meeting.

Public Health Department/Director

June 2-6, 2016

Zika prevention materials display set-up along the Department of Public Health administration corridors.

Public Health Department/Public Health Preparedness

June 2, 2016

Zika Task Force Meeting Department of Public Health-5115 El Paso Dr., El Paso, Texas Members presented on current data on Zika, surveillance activities, suspect referrals for Laboratory Testing, mosquito trapping and control, information meetings, educational activities, Colonias effort through promotoras, Tip and Toss activities, start of mosquito season, other agencies contact and participation, media involvement, education materials and resources distribution.

Public Health Department/Public Health Preparedness/ Epidemiology/El Paso Water Utilities/ UTEP/ City County/Texas Department of State Health Services

June 2, 2016

NEWS RELEASE: Mosquito Season is Zika Prevention Season Department stresses "Tip and Toss" activities after recent rains. News release and interviews: Channel 26 and Channel 7 KVIA Live

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

June 1, 2016

Presentation San Elizario District Central Office.

Public Health Department/Director

June 1, 2016

Zika Task Force meeting.

Texas Department of State Health Services/ UTEP/El Paso Water Utilities/Vector Control/Public Health Department

MAY 2016

May 30-June 3, 2016

Zika presentations to students from Kindergarten and Elementary groups: Alicia Chacon, 79907 Parkland Elementary, 79924

Public Health Department/Health Education Program

May 27, 2016

Presentation City of El Paso District 7 community meetings.

Public Health Department/Director

May 26, 2016

Texas Association of City & County Health Officials (TACCHO) Zika-Emerging Infectious Diseases Workgroup call. Review of the Texas Association of City and County Health Officials Menu of Choices for Zika Response.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

May 26, 2017

Zika Resources: Zika and travelling prevention resources and publications for parents, teachers and other stakeholders; Social Media/Posters/Videos Presentations. Zika materials list submitted to Public Affairs City Manager Office as requested for City Council.

Public Health Department/Public Affairs Officer/Public Affairs City Manager Office

May 25, 2016

Presentation at City's District 7 community meetings.

Public Health Department/Director

May 24, 2016

Presentation to Department of Public Health Speakers Bureau Train the Trainer 101.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

May 23, 2016

Epidemiology bi-weekly meeting. Discussion on Epidemiology events in the El Paso region and Vector transmitted diseases. First West Nile Virus case was reported.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

May 18, 2016

Zika Stakeholders Meeting Report distribution

Public Health Department

May 18, 2016

El Paso Apartment Association requested a Zika bilingual presentation. Presentation was performed with 45 participants. Handouts were distributed.

El Paso Apartment Association

May 9, 2016

Zika Stakeholders Meeting. Zika presentation by lead agencies. Stakeholders' forum facilitated active participation. More than 50 region agencies were presented and 112 participants attended.

Public Health Department

Completed

Request from the Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo for printing approval for "Fight the Bite" brochure
Approval by the Texas Office of Border Health, Texas Department of State Health Services
regions 9/10. Brochures

Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo

Completed

San Vicente Health Center requested approval to use Public Service Announcements and videos
for in-house TV system. Approval by the Texas Office of Border Health, Texas Department of
State Health Services regions 9/10.

San Vicente Health Center

Completed

School presentations. Zika presentations to students from Kindergarten and Elementary groups.

Public Health Department/Health Education Program

Completed

Concluded final draft of the Zika Virus Response Plan 2016. Distributions to Stakeholders.

Public Health Department/Disease Control

FEBRUARY / MARCH / APRIL 2016

April 1, 2016

Zika Action Plan Summit Participation, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA

Public Health Department/Director

March 22, 2016

City of El Paso Council meeting. Item 14.1, March 22, 2016. That the City of El Paso amends its
2016 Federal Legislative Agenda to include support for funding to combat the spread of the Zika
Virus.

Public Health Department/Director/ City Council

February/March/April 2016

Private Laboratory's main offices were contacted for collaboration on laboratory activities. Zika Virus Disease International Public Health Emergency Article, El Paso Physicians, El Paso County Medical Society. Meetings and phone calls with local health providers to share information about Zika testing. Information collection from patients who may meet the Department of Stated Health Services criteria, including interviews with patients to discuss testing, referred by supervisor. Maintained critical communication on reviewed patient's information with Texas Department of State Health Services regional epidemiology program.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology

February/March/April 2016

Planning activities for the Zika Stakeholder's meeting for May 9, 2016. Literature review, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) articles, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Key Messages, Texas Department of State Health Services Zika specimen criteria, and public health webpages to draft Zika virus response plan for Department of Public Health. Requested additional information for the plan from Vector Control, UTEP, Texas Department of State Health Services, Department of Public Health Public Information Officer, Department of Public Health Laboratory, and Department of Public Health Clinic Manager. Following Assistant Director's comments about asymptomatic patients not being in the plan's case criteria, looked for additional case definitions. Reviewed case definitions from different public health agencies (WHO, European Centre for Disease Control and Prevention, and Department of State Health Services). Drafted a comparison of the criteria from the different public health agencies so that the information on Zika laboratory testing with local hospitals and infection control practitioners. Met with staff from local hospitals to provide additional information.

Public Health Department/ Epidemiology